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## Senator Agard Slams GOP Leaders for Continued Investigation of 2020 Election

Senate GOP leaders authorize Elections Committee to investigate Madison election data

MADISON - Today, the Senate Republican leaders plan to authorize the Elections Committee to further expand their failed investigations following Audit Report 21-19 published by the Legislative Audit Bureau (LAB).

Senator Melissa Agard (D-Madison) released the following statement:

"Yet again, Republican legislators are continuing to dig themselves further and further down the Big Lie rabbit hole. This continued partisan witch hunt is a waste of taxpayer dollars, state resources, and continues the erosion of trust in our institutions. Despite the continued failed attempts of the GOP to perpetuate election falsehoods, the outcome will remain the same - the November 2020 election was safe, secure, and accurate.

"The GOP leadership calling for this additional, frivolous investigation are wildly out of step with the people of Wisconsin. And even within their caucus. The Republican Co-Chair of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee agreed that last week's audit report proved <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhar-10.2007/jhar-1

"The City of Madison complied with the LAB audit and followed federal Department of Justice guidelines in order to keep voting records confidential and secure. Our clerks in Dane County have conducted themselves with the utmost professionalism and integrity through the election, official canvass, a recount, and an LAB audit. Despite the conspiracy theories Republicans choose to sew, fraud will not be found where it doesn't exist.

"It is clear that the GOP is not interested in the rule of law but rather intent on stirring the partisan pot. It is past time that the legislature finally put this charade to rest and actually started doing the work that the people of Wisconsin are asking us to do."